Module - 2012 Fire Season Summary

Overview

This module will summarize the 2012 fire season and provide some season statistics. A discussion of local highlights, lessons learned and the upcoming fire season will be led by local experts.

2012 FATALITIES, ENTRAPMENTS AND SERIOUS ACCIDENTS
As Reported by the Risk Management Committee

TYPE		FATALITIES
Entrapment	9 incidents, 20 people involved	0
Burnover	1 incident, 3 people involved	0
Engines, Dozers, ATVs, and Vehicles	4 incidents, 6 people involved	2
Heart Attack	5 incidents, 5 people involved	5
Hazard Trees	4 incidents, 6 people involved	1
Other	3 incidents, 4 people involved	1
Driving	2 incidents, 19 people involved	0
Aviation	2 incidents, 8 people involved	6

2012 Wildland Fire Statistics

67,774 Wildfires
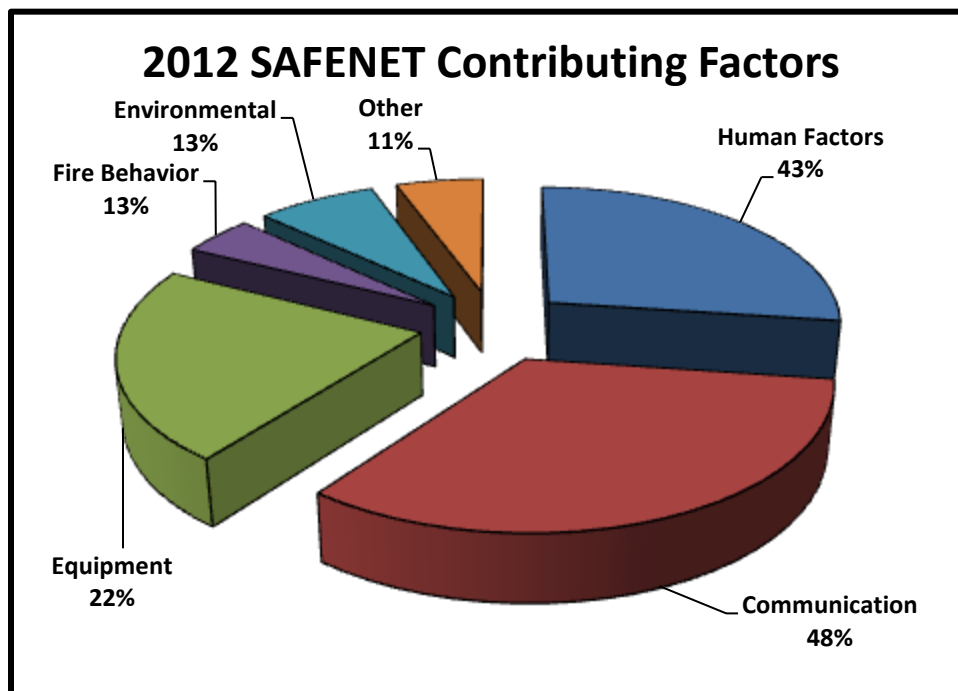
9,326,238 Acres

5-Year Average	10-Year Average
74,322 Fires	74,918 Fires
6,534,917 Acres	7,262,286 Acres

2012 SAFENET Contributing Factors

- Environmental 13%
- Fire Behavior 13%
- Other 11%
- Human Factors 43%
- Communication 48%
- Equipment 22%
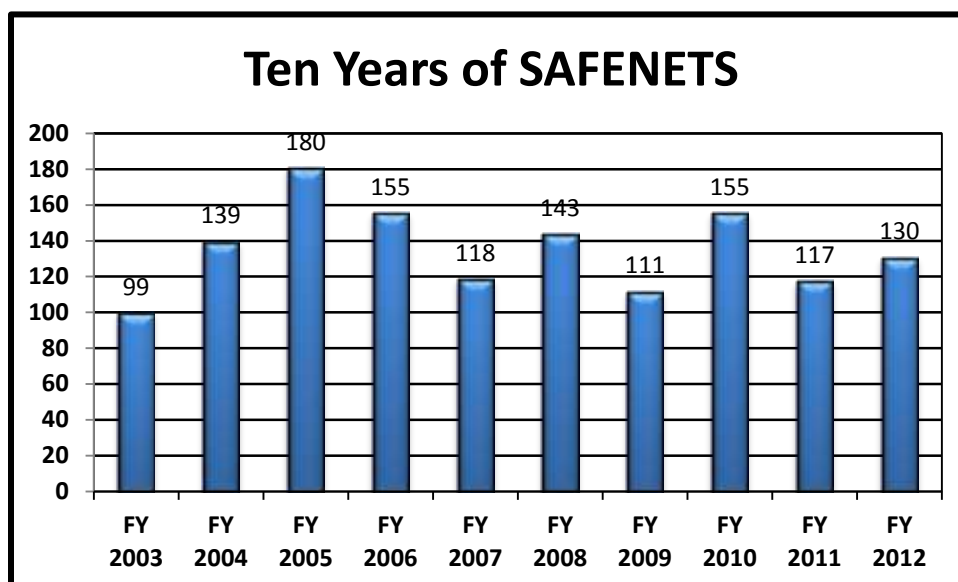
The SAFENET submission process is used by wildland firefighting agencies for reporting and resolving incidents relating to firefighter safety. SAFENET categories can overlap and percentages can exceed 100%. There were 130 SAFENETS submitted in 2012.
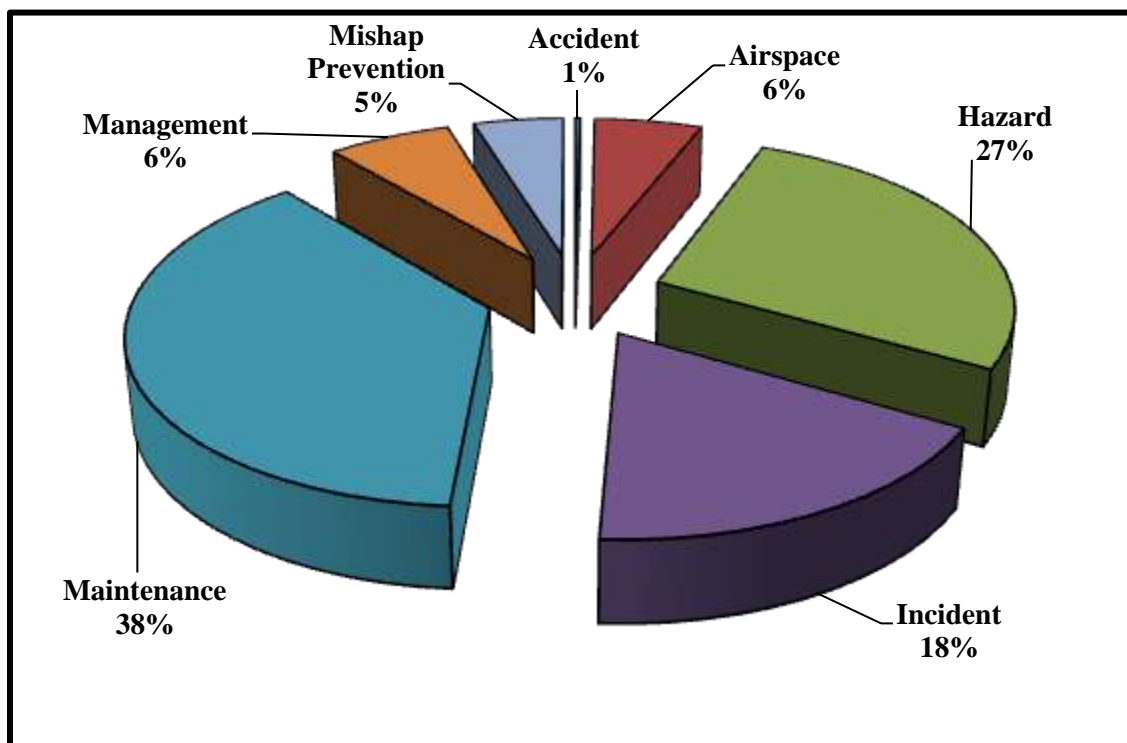
To submit a SAFENET: http://safenet.nifc.gov/safenet.nsf/SAFEPOST?OpenPage

Ten Years of SAFENETS

FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
99	139	180	155	118	143	111	155	117	130

2012 SAFECOM – By Category

SAFECOMs are for reporting any condition, observation, act, maintenance problem, or circumstance with personnel or the aircraft that has the potential to cause an <u>aviation-related</u> mishap. The SAFECOM system is not intended for initiating punitive actions. Submitting a SAFECOM is not a substitute for "on-the-spot" correction(s) to a safety concern. It is a tool used to identify, document, track and correct safety related issues. A SAFECOM does not replace the requirement for initiating an accident or incident report. There were 1,093 SAFECOM Reports in 2012.

To Submit a SAFECOM:
https://www.safecom.gov/entry.asp

Your Local Fire Season 2012

Highlights:

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Expectations or predictions for 2013:

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